JUST GOSSIP ABOUT PEOPLE

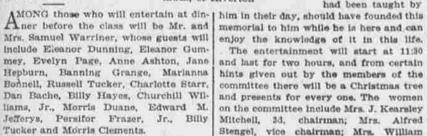
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Harrison Entertain at Dinner-Dance-Numerous Dinners Before Meeting of Mrs. Wurts's Dancing Class

MRS. PERCY ALLEN RANSOME

With the exception of a small dinner | W. K. Freeman, Charles Pancoast, Hardance for the younger married set old Mockridge, Thaddens Daly and

will certainly have its innings tonight at the meeting of Mrs. Charles Stewart Wurts's dancing

class at Asher's. This class is really great fun, and Mrs. Wurts certainly does everything to make it a success, incidentally trains ing the boys to be of great use in the social world when the time comes for them to go to OUT things, for each week the class is put under the leadership of some particular boys, who lend the german, plan the figures of that intricate dance and are generally to be depended on during the evening see that no girl in left with out a partner; in fact, to act and think for others comfort, as gentlemen should. It is a fine idea, and the boys come up to the test nobly. Tonight young Charles Stewart Wurts, Jr., and Francis P. Frazier Mrs. Ransome before her marriage will lead the co- last month was Miss Charice Frishtillon.



Then Mr. and Mrs. Hudson Chapman will give a dinner for their two sons, Samuel Hudson Chapman and Robert Chapman, and their guests will include Mary Fahnestock, Frances Ross, Mildred Longstreth, Margaret and Elizabeth Prichard, Elizabeth Taylor, Margaret Ross, Henrietta Wilson, Rosamond Wurts, Jane Paxson, Gladys Muller, Parry Maule, Crenshaw McElroy, John Freeman, Charles Wilson, Aiken Reichner, Reynolds Wilson, Cornelius Wilson, William

to be given by the Harry Waln Harrisons Joseph Chapman. Mrs. Henry Jeanes and one debutants affair, the school set will also entertain for her daughter.

Elizabeth. It looks to me as if things would be mighty festive. What do you think?

AND yea terday tation from the Abrahamsohn Committee of the University Hospital to attend its Christm a s celebration. This is a committee of women who, in the name of dear old Professor Abrahamsohn, the much beloved and wellknown teacher of German in this city, have undertaken to hold fee tivities for the pleasure of hospital every Christmas and Easter, and to say they are "some" celebrations is saying very little, for the children pa

the time to come. It spems a fitting tribute to the pro feasor, who has so loved children and attracted them to him all his life, that many of those of an

tients at least can

scarcely wait for

older growth, who muth, of Riverton had been taught by

The entertainment will start at 11:30 and last for two hours, and from certain Hepburn, Banning Grange, Marianna hints given out by the members of the committee there will be a Christmas tree Dan Bache, Billy Hayes, Churchill Wil- and presents for every one. The women on the committee include Mrs. J. Kearsley Mitchell, 3d, chairman; Mrs. Alfred Stengel, vice chairman; Mrs. William Pepper, Jr., treasurer; Mrs. Thomas G. Ashton, Miss Mahel A. Brice, Mrs. Benjamin Chew, Mrs. John G. Clark, Mrs. William J. Clothier, Miss Emma A. Dorr, Miss Margaret Dunlap, Mrs. George W. Elkins, Jr., Mrs. Ralph B. Evans, Mrs. Barton Cooke Hirst, Mrs. Frederic R. Kirkland, Mrs. Arthur Newlin, Mrs. Theodore S. Paul, Mrs. Charles B. Penrose Miss Sarah H. B. Penrose, Mrs. O. H. Perry Pepper and Miss Marion E. Smith. NANCY WYNNE.

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Mrs. Fielding Lewis, Dr. and Mrs. Brooke M. Anspach, Dr. and Mrs. Frank Craig, Dr.

James A. Babbitt, Miss Catherine Brown. of New York; Miss Katharine Henderson, of Pittsburgh; Miss Berenies Berens, Dr. George Pfahler, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Moffatt, Dr. William C, Sheehan and Dr.

Another party will include Mr. and Mrs. Kern Dodge, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Gates, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Gates, Mr. and Mrs. Craig Watt, Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Deacon and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bilsard will enter-

Mr. and Mrs. Carol B. Grace are arrang-

ing a dinner party. Among the members will be Mr. and Mrs. G. Ross Carver, Mr. and Mrs. William Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. Leuter Dykman, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Steen, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Murray, Mr. Thomas Grace and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Decrease.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Tatton, of Lincoln drive, will give a children's party tomor-row for their daughter, Miss Natalie Elliott Tatton, and twelve of her little

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Leach Marvin announce the marriage of their daughter.
Miss Ruth May Marvin, to Mr. Charles J.
Thomas on Saturday, December 16, at Port-

Another dinner party will include Dr. and

H. Stoken

Daniel Hoyt.

Personals

The marriage of Miss Molly Wood Baily daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Winter Bally, and Mr. B. H. Brewster Koons, will take place next month very quietly. Mr. Koons is at present in business in Rome. Ga. Miss Bally, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Joseph K. T. Van Pelt, 2d., in Atlanta, Ga., has returned in time to spend the holidays at home. Mr. and Mrs. Van Peit will spend Christmas with Mrs. Van Polt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Bayard Bowie. Mrs. Bowie will give an informal tea for her daughter tomorrow afternoon, at her home, 1710 Walnut street, when Mrs. Standley Stokes and Mrs. Orville H. Bullitt will preside at the tea table.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Sartori, 6730 Emlen street, Germantown, have Issued invita-tions for a dinner on Monday night, Janu-ary 1, at 7 o'clock, in honor of their daughter, Miss Anna Sartori; later the guests will attend Mrs. Troth's Dancing Class, held that evening at the Germantown Cricket Club.

Mr. Clement Buckley Newbold and his daughters, Miss Mary D. Newbold and Miss Anna S. Newbold, of Crosswicks farm, Meeting House road and Fox Chase lane. Jenkintown, have left for town for the winter, where they will occupy apartments at the Ritz Carlton.

Miss Mary Paul, of Grave's line, Chestnut Hill, entertained informally at luncheon on Wednesday. There were twelve guests.

Mrs. George C. Thomas, of Norwood aveavenue, has returned from Atlantic City, where she was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Ridge, who are spending a month at the Mariborough-

Mrs. George C. Thomas, of Howard avenue, Chestnut Hill, is occupying her town house at Twenty-first and Spruce streets.

Mrs. H. N. Crosswell and her daughter, Miss Marion Cresswell, of Edgewater Park, will leave for Florida next week, where they will spend some time this winter.

and Mrs. H. B. Gaylord, of \$116 West Penn street, Germantown, are being congratulated upon the birth of a daughter, Mary Elizabeth Gaylord.

Mr. and Mrs. Erskine M. Smith and their little son, of Long Island, will spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Stevenson, of the control of the cont

of 1911 Spruce street. Mr. Henry Bell, Miss May Bell and Mr.

Henry Beil, Jr., of Evergreen avenue. Chestnut Hill, will occupy apartments at the Movris, 311 South Thirteenth street,

Mrs. Good, wife of Captain J. William Good, of Troop D. First Cavalry, has returned from El Paso and is at her spartments at the Maidstone, 1217 Spruce atreet, having returned in advance of her husband's troop, which is expected shortly. Mr. and Mrs. Boston, of London, Eng.,

who arrived in New York a fortnight aspars assuming acome time in this city at the flut-Cariton. They will leave tomorrow for Chicago, III., where they will spend the Christmas holidaya and will remain for some some as the guests of Mrs. Boston's lawrents before returning to England.

Miss Jessie Guthrie, of Wilkes-Barre, is spending some time in this city.

The New Century Club will receive on New Year's Day from 4 until 6 o'clock at the clubbouse, 124 South Twelfth street.

Among the dinners which are being amond to take place before the ball at a Cormantown Country Club on Demiker EV, will be one brouding Mr. and a Marence Braid, Mr. and the Harbert res, Mr. and Mrs. Practic kills Marence in Mr. Braids Kills Mr. Braids Kil

Mrs. Paul V. Huyste, of 4868 Wayns avenue, has returned from boarding school in Virginia for the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Renjamin Rousin and her little son of Providence, R. L. are visiting her mother, Mrs. S. Radis, 2122 Columbia avenue.

The Comrade Club will give its ninth anrual ball on Christmas Day at New Audi-torium Hall, Seventh street and Styrler avenue. It will be a novelty affair, and dancing will communes at 2 o'clock and continue all afternoon and evening.

Weddings

SHOTWELL-SHIRK

The marriage of Miss Jesute E. Shirk, daughter of Mrs. Philip M. Shirk, of Oak Lane, and Mr. George Porter Shotwell, of Harrisburg, took place today at noon in the Tenth Presbyterian Church, Seven-teenth and Spruce streats, in the presence of the immediate families only. The Rev. or the immediate families only. The Rev. Marcus A. Brownson, D. D., pastor of the church, officiated. Dr. E. M. Shirk, of Baltimora, a brother of the bride, gave her hand in marriage. After a wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Shotwell will live in Williamsport, where Mr. Shotwell is an officer in the National Bank.

CUPID AIDS PRINTER'S DEVIL

One Wedding Annual Average at Newspaper Office

MILFORD, Det., Dec. 22. — Holding Its record as a matrimonial bureau, the print-ing office of the Milford Chronicle has anounced the marriage of Muss Olive Hill man, trom the pressroom, and Itemry W. Harrington, the press foreman. For thirty-egut years, when the Chron-

pleasure of hospital sele was established as a country weekly patients at the University Hospital were than one couple annually has been married from the office. With only one exception the matches have been unusually happy, and the positions open in the office are always eagerly sought after by Milford young girls, who are sure it is a certain step toward matrimony.



death in that mad nexus of conflicting cur-

Concepts of time, too, vanished. Did it last one hour or three? Five hours, or even more? Who could tell? Lacking any point

Checking the descent, he drove forward

The wind, he perceived, still blew to

Though he knew the ripping clatter of

but a scant two gallons, and who could say how long the way might be to shore? For a moment the engineer lost heart, but only for a moment.

His eye, sweeping the distance, caught

contact with reality, merged

deadly peril.

good-by!

PREPAREDNESS

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"Waiting, waiting, under the mistletoe."

BEYOND THE GREAT OBLIVION

(Sequel to "The Vacant World")

By GEORGE ALLAN ENGLAND

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Converted, 1915, by Fronk 2, Mansey Company
Allan Stern and Beatrice Kendrick arrived at the old manaton of Van Amburg,
etart to work in earnest to make the home
hebitable. During the weeks of "settling
down" they live on the fish that Allan
catches with a rule rod, and game.
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CHAPTER XVII-(Continued) MOULDN'T run finer, little girll Bar-Uring a little stiffness here and there. she's perfect. So, then, when do we start, eh? Tomorrow morning, early?"

"Why not this afternoon? I'm surs we can get ready by then."

"Afternoon it is, if you say so! But we've got to work to do it!" By noon they had gathered together all the freight they meant to carry, and— though the sun had dimmed behind dul-ciouds of peculiar slaty gray that drifted in from eastward—had prepared for the in from eastward—had prepared for the flight to Boston After a plentiful dinner of venison, berries and breadfruit, they loaded the machine.

Stern calculated that, with Beatrice as a passenger, he could carry seventy-five or eighty pounds of freight. The two rifles, ammunition, knives, ax, tools and pro-visions they packed into the skin sack Beatrice had prepared weighed no more than sixty. Thus Stern reckoned there would be a fair "coefficient of safety" and more than enough power to carry them

"Your first flight, little girl?" he naked She nodded, but did not speak. He noted the pulse in her throat, a little quick, yet

'You're positive you're not going to be "How could I, with you?"

He made all secure, climbed up beside her, and strapped himself in his seat. Then he threw in the clutch and released the brake. "Hold fast!" cried he. "All aboard for Boston! Hold fast!"

CHAPTER XVIII

The Hurricane Mrs. and Mrs. Earl Leach Marvin announce the marriage of their daughter.

Mias Ruth May Marvin, to Mr. Charles J.

Thomas on Saturday, December 16, at Portland, Ore.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas will spend the of twelve hundred feet for her long north-

IF WISHES WERE LEGS

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Their Christmas stockings.

man was worthy of her most profound, in-Issoluble love.
Far down beneath them now the forest Far down beneath them now the forest sped away to the southward. The gleam of the river, dulled by the sunless sky, showed here and there through the woods, which spread their unbroken carpet to the horizon, impenetrable and filled with nameless porils. At thought of how he was cheating them all, Stern amiled to himself with grim an infection.

adjaction.
"Good old engine!" he was thinking, as he let her out another notch. "Home day I'll put you in a boat and we'll go cruising. With you, there's no limit to the possibilities. The world is really ours now, with your help!"

Behind them now lay the debris of Pawtucket. Stern caught a glimpse of a ruined building, a crumpled-in gas tank with an elm growing up through the stark ribs of it, a jumble of wreckage, all small and toy-like, there below; then the plane swooped, and all lay deep buried in the wilderness again.

"A few minutes now," he said to himself. "and we'll be across what used to be the line and be spinning over Massachu-setts. This certainly beats walking all hollow! Whew!" as the machine jurched for-ward and took an ugiy drop. He jerked the rising-plane lever savagely. "Still the same kind of unreliable air. I see, that we used

to have a thousand years ago!"

For a few minutes the biplane hummed on and on in long rising and falling slants. like a swallow skimming the surface of a lake. The even staccato of the exhaust, echoless in that height and vacancy, rippled with cadesices like a monster mowing machine. And Stern was beginning to consider his statement of the statement of th chine. And Stern was beginning to consider himself as good as in Boston already—was beginning to wonder where the best place niight be to land, whether along the shore or on the Common, where, perhaps, some open space still remained—when another formidable air-pocket dropped him with sickening speed.

He righted the plane with a wrench that made has considered the plane.

with safety and speed.

It was at 1:15 that the girl took her live got to take a higher level or a lower," he thought. "Something's wrong letrap her in.

With safety and speed.

"I've got to take a higher level or a lower," he thought. "Something's wrong here, that's certain!"

"Your first flight, little girl" he asked
smiling, yet a trifle grave. The barking ward, hoping to find a calmer lane, a glance
at the sky showed trouble impending. Stern's eye caught the light of that set-

at the sky showed trouble impending.

Over the gray background of wind clouds a fine-shredded drive was beginning to scud. The whole east had grown black. Only far off to westward did a little patch of duli blue show; and even this was cloning up with singular rapidity. And, though the motion of the machine made this hard to estimate, Stern thought to see by the lateral drift of the country below that they were being carried westward by what—to judge from the agitation of the treetops far below—must already be a considerable gale.

For a moment the engineer cursed his foolhardiness in having started in face of such a storm as now every moment threatened to brask upon them.

"I should have known," he told himself, "that it was suicidal to attempt a flight whan every indication showed a high wind coming. My infernal impatiance, as usual! We should have stayed safe in Providence and let this blow out before starting. But now—well, it's too late."

But was it? Had he not time enough left to make a wide sweep and circle back whence he had come? He glanced at the girl. If she showed fear he would return, But on her face he saw no signs of aught but confidence and joy and courage. And at sight of her his own resolution strengthened once again.

"Why retreat" he pondered, helding the Over the gray background of wind clouds

at sight of her his own resolution strengthened once again.

"Why retreat" he pondered, holding the machine to her long-soaring rise. "We must have made a good third of the distance already—perhaps a half. In ten or fifteen minutes more we ought to sight the blue of the big bay. No use in turning back now, and as for alighting and letting the storm blow over, that's impossible. Among these forests it would mean only total wreckage. Even if we could lind, we never could start again. No; the only thing to do is to hold her to it and plow through, storm or no storm. I guess the good old Paulillac can stand the rucket, right enough!"

Thus for a few moments lenger he held

Thus for a few moments longer he held the plane with her mose to the northeast-by-north, his compass giving him direction, while far, far below, the world slid back and away in a vast green carpet of sway-ing trees that stretched to the dim, dun horizon.

Stern could never afterward recall exactly

Stern could never afterward recall exactly how or when the hurricane struck them. So attaining was the blow that hurled itself, shrisking, in a tunnil of mad cross-currents, air mealstroms and frenzied whirls, all across the sky; so overpowering the chill tempest that burst from those laky clouds; so sudden the darkness that fell the alleging halt velleys that lashed and pelted them, that any clear perception of their plight became impossible.

"All the man knew was that direction and control had been knocked clean from his hands; that the world had suddenly vanished in a black drive of cloud and hall and wild-whipping vapor; that he no longer knew north from south or east from west, but that—struggling now even to breathe, filled with sek fears for the safety of the girl beside him—he was fighting, wrenching, wrenthing with the motor and the planes and rudders, to keep the machine from uponiting from turning turis in minair, from strilling over and awoop, artilling over and over, down, he as a shattered rocket, to dash hartesf to pilons on the waiting sarth below.

The first furious mest aboved the engineer he toold not hope to head up linto that egytone and live. He awong with it, thereafters; and now, driving across the sky like a filament of dendwarch, rods on the safety of the great storm, his motor acrossing the definition at the surrecting wind.

The Beatries should not to him Did she try to make the heart He could not tell. holidays with Mr. Thomas's parents at 464 State road, Cynwyd, Fa.

Mrs. M. L. Larsslere and Mrs. S. A.
Williamson, of 252 South Massachuseits avenue, Atlantic City, are being entertained by their brother, Mr. William H.
Less, 1740 Diamond sirest, over the holidays

The third of a series of subscription dances which are held the third Monday in the month duving the winer in the Casino in Germantows will take place January in Among the subscribers are Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wiggins Mr. and Mrs. Albert M. Hoyt, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Stager, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Stager

n such a turmoil. Stern had no time to | sight of a long, dull, dark line on the horiink even of her at such a moment of As a driver with a runaway stallion jerks and saws and strains upon the leather to regain control, so now the man wregtled with his storm-buffeted machine. A less expert aeronaut must have gone down to

Fon.
A cloud-bank, was it? Land, was it?
He could not tell.

"Til chance it, anyhow," thought he. "for it's our only hope now. When I don't know where I am, one direction's as good as any other. We've got no other chance but that! Here goes!"

Skilifully banking, he hauled the plane about, and settled on a long, swift slant toward the dark line.

"If only the alcohol helds out, and nothing breaks!" his thought was. "If only

rents; but Stern was cool and full of craft and science. Against the blows of the huge tempest he pitted his own skill, the strength of the stout mechanism, the trained in-stincts of the born mechanician. ing breaks!" his thought was. "If only that's the shore, and we can reach it in And, storm-driven, the biplane hurtled westward, ever westward, through the gloom. Nor could its two passengers by any sight or sound determine what speed they traveled at whither they went, what lay behind, or what shead.

(CONTINUED TOMORROW)

What's Doing Tonight New England Society dinner, Believue-Strat-

hiness Night, Houston Hall, University of "Judas Maccabeus," to be sung, Rodef Sha-

NEW ENGLAND SOCIETY TO CELEBRATE TONIGHT

Thirty-sixth Annual Dinner Will Commemorate Pilgrim Fathers' Coming

Two hundred and ninety-air years ago foday our Pilgrim forefathers, 101 men woman and children, set foot upon Plymouth Rock They left their homes with the avowed purpose of establishing for themselves in this country a government dedicated to higher ideals of citizenship.

Through all the intervening years their descendants have striven to carry out the work which this little band so nobig started. Throughout the United States are scattered more than 2000 descendants of the Pileries

The anniversary will be one of the topics in the classrooms of the public and private schools, while in many of the New Elemand States special services commemoraling the event will be held. The day also marks the twenty-second anniversary of the organisa-tion of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants.

The biggest colebration in honor of the event will be held tonight in the Hellevus-Siratford Hotel, when the New England Society of Pennsylvania will hold its thirty-sixth annual dinner.

The principal speaker will be ex-Provident Taft. Other prominent speakers will be the Rev. Dr. Nehemlah Boynton, of Brocklyn, N. Y., and ex-Congressman J. Adam Bode,

At every one of its dinners the society has at every one of its dinners the society has presented an array of speakers renowned in politics, literature and other walks of life. Among the distinguished speakers who have addressed the members in years gone by wore President McKinley, Mark Twain and Wu Ting-fang.

The present officers of the society are:
President, Cyrus H. K. Curtis; vice presidents, Lincoln K. Passmore and Arthur W.
Sewall; secretary, E. W. Mumford; treasurer, George Irving Mervill; chapisin, the
Rev. Dr. Floyd W. Tomkins; physician, Dr.
S. D. Risley.

The menu will include typical New England dishes. The decorations will be attractive and the banquet promises to be notable in the number of distinguished men who will attend and in the wit and brilliance of the speeches.

Santa Claus Train From Camden

WOODBURY, N. J., Dec. 22. — Post-masters between Wenenah and Camdan have been notified that on Suhday night a special train carrying mail will be run, principally for parcel post packages. Post-offices will be open on that day for the delivery only of these packages between a and 4 p. m., while in this city carriers will delivery packages only during the day. This has never been done before and never were there such congested conditions of mail in there such congested conditions of mail is the package line



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Rings, platinum and diamonds \$50,00 to \$2400.00

Flexible Block Bracelets, platinum Gold Match Boxes \$110.00 to \$1200.00

\$50.00 to \$75.00 Scarf Pins, diamonds and sapphires \$15.00 to \$175.00

Dress Sets, platinum, mother of pearl \$35.00 to \$175.00 Rings, diamond and platinum \$115.00 to \$400.00

Link Buttons, diamond set \$100.00 to \$250.00 Gold Cigarette Cases

\$85.00 to \$200.00 \$40.00 to \$75.00

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